



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE PATENT APPLICATION OF:

SERIAL NUMBER: 10/647,558

FILED: August 25, 2003

TITLE: OPTICAL MONITORING CIRCUIT

CONFIRMATION NO: 3226

OUR FILE NO: 78302 (P1663 US)

GROUP: 2878

EXAMINER: Unassigned

Information Disclosure Statement

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Information Disclosure Statement (Form PTO-1449) in the above-captioned application with references.

Certification

____ This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted within three months of:

- (i) the filing date of the above-identified U.S. National Patent application, or
- (ii) the date of entry into the U.S. National Stage of the above-identified International Application, or
- (iii) the date of entry into the U.S. National Stage of the International Application that has been assigned the above-identified U.S. Patent application number, whichever applies.

This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted prior to the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits received by Applicant in the above-identified application.

____ This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted after three months from

- (i) the filing date of the above-identified U.S. National Patent application, or
- (ii) after three months from entry into the U.S. National Stage of the above-identified International Application; or
- (iii) the date of entry into the U.S. National Stage of the International Application that has been assigned the above-identified U.S. Patent application number, whichever applies; and after the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits of the above-identified application, but prior to issuance of the earlier of any Final Action or Notice of Allowance sent in such application. The certification under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) is submitted separately or below, or the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c) and § 1.17(p) is submitted herewith.

____ This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted after the earlier of the mailing date of a final rejection or Notice of Allowance sent in this application but before payment of the Issue Fee. The certification required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) is submitted separately or below. A petition to the Commissioner and the appropriate fee pursuant to § 1.17(i) (1) are submitted herewith.

____ A certification under 37 C.F.R. §1.97 is submitted herewith separately from this paper.

____ It is hereby certified that each item of information contained in this statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

____ No item of information contained in this statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application or, to the knowledge of the undersigned, after making reasonable inquiry, was known to any individual designated in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

Respectfully submitted,



Charles E. Wands
Reg. No: 25,649

March 16, 2004

Date:



27975

PATENT TRADEMARK OFFICE

Telephone Number: 321-725-4760



Form PTO 1449 U.S. Department of Commerce Patent and Trademark Office Information Disclosure Statement by Applicant		ATTY. DOCKET NUMBER: 78302 (P1663 US)	SERIAL NUMBER: 10/647,558
APPLICANT: WILSON ET AL			
FILING DATE: AUGUST 25, 2003	GROUP: 2878		

U.S. Patent Documents

EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCL ASS	FILED APPE
		5,266,792	Nov 30, 1993	Crowne et al	250	214	
		5,024,535	June 18, 1991	Winston Jr	374	178	

Foreign Patent Documents

		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION	
							YES	NO

Other Documents (Including Author, Title, Date Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

EXAMINER		DATE CONSIDERED
<i>EXAMINER: Initial if citation is considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; draw a line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant</i>		